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FM AMEMBASSY BUJUMBURA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3913

INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

USMISSIN GENEVA

AMEMBASSY KAMPALA

AMEMBASSY KIGALI

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SUBJECT: THIRD MICOMBERO-GOWON MESSAGE: FORMIN RETURNS

REF BUJUMBURA 704, 722, 723

1. BURUNDI RADIO ANNOUNCED JULY 15 (PRIOR GOWON RESPONSE)  
TEXT OF THIRD MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT MICOMBERO TO PRESIDENT  
GOWON AS HEAD OF OAU.

2. TELEGRAM NOTES CONTINUING AND INCREASING TENSION BETWEEN  
BURUNDI AND TANZANIA. BLOCKADE AGAINST BURUNDI STILL  
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OAU AND AFRICAN WISDOM. MOREOVER, TANZANIA SURPRISED

GRB BY ESCALATING CONFLICT JULY 12-13 WITH FRONTIER VIOLATION BY REGULAR TANZANIAN TROOPS. THIS CAUSED NUMEROUS DEATHS AND LARGE MATERIAL LOSSES. THERE WAS NO RESPONSE FROM BURUNDI SIDE, SINCE GRB WISHED AVOID LARGER CONFRONTATION. HOWEVER, IF PEACEFUL SOLUTION CANNOT BE FOUND, BURUNDI WILL ALSO BE FORCED TO USE FORCE. TELEGRAM AGAIN ASKS GOWON TO HELP FIND PEACEFUL AND HONORABLE SOLUTION AND RENEWS REQUEST FOR IMPARTIAL OBSERVER TEAM BE SENT TO FRONTIER, PROMISING TO PUT EVERY FACILITY AT TEAM'S DISPOSAL.

3. BURUNDI ARMED FORCES COS COL. THOMAS NDABAMEYE ANNOUNCED TEN DEAD AND SEVERAL WOUNDED IN MABANDA REGION AS RESULT JULY 12-13 ACTION.

4. JULY 16 BROADCAST NOTED GRB FORMIN SIMBANANIYE HAD RETURNED SAME DATE FROM WEEKEND MEETING IN DAR ES SALAAM, HAVING TRANSMITTED A MESSAGE FROM PRES MICOMBERO TO PRES NYERERE CONCERNING "FRONTIER INCIDENTS AND THE GENERAL BLOCKADE IMPOSED BY THE TANZANIAN GOVERNMENT." BROADCAST NOTED THAT NYRERE HAD "EXPRESSED THE WISH TO MEET WITH PRES MICOMBERO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE". YOST

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